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In re Application of:

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Group Art Unit: 1774

Serial No.: 09/508,604

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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[] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.

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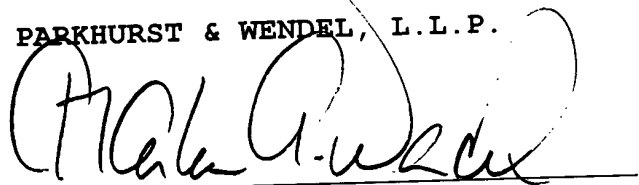
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed July 6, 2001, please undertake the following changes:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 16, lines 7 to 13, replace the paragraph appearing therein with the following:

B1
An under coat or primer layer 4 is provided for relaxing shrinkage at the time of curing of an ionizing radiation-curable resin layer for the formation of the ionizing radiation-cured resin layer 5. The under coat 4 may be formed of acrylic resin, vinyl chloride-vinyl acetate copolymer, polyester resin, urethane resin,

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